

Whereas Lieutenant Colonel Anderson and Navy Commander McCool will be missed but never forgotten: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate remembers and honors the heroic lives of astronauts Lieutenant Colonel Michael Anderson and Commander William McCool.

#### AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED & PROPOSED

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#### TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

**SA 249.** Ms. MURKOWSKI proposed an amendment to the bill S. Res. 71, expressing the support for the Pledge of Allegiance; as follows:

On page 3, line 7 of the resolution strike "again" and insert "either"

On page 3, line 9 of the resolution strike "and, if unable to intervene," and insert "or"

#### AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

##### COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be authorized to conduct a hearing during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 4, 2003. The purpose of this hearing will be to review the Federal Government's initiatives regarding the school lunch and school breakfast programs.

##### COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 4, 2003, at 9:30 a.m., in closed session to receive a classified briefing on current operations.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 4, 2003, at 10 a.m. to conduct a hearing on "The Administration's Proposed Fiscal Year 2004 Budget for the Department of Housing and Urban Development."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet on March 4, 2003, at 10 a.m. on the nomination of Dr. Charles McQueary to be Under Secretary for Science and Technology, Department of Homeland Security; Jeffrey Shane to be Under Sec-

retary of Transportation for Policy, Department of Transportation; Emil Frankel to be Assistant Secretary of Transportation, Department of Transportation; and Robert Sturgell, Deputy Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on Tuesday, March 4 at 10 a.m. to receive testimony on the financial condition of the electricity market.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 4, 2003 at 9:30 a.m. to hold a hearing on the Millennium Challenge Account: A New Way to Aid.

#### Witnesses

Panel 1: The Honorable Alan Larson, Under Secretary of State of Economic, Business & Agricultural Affairs, Department of State, Washington, DC;

The Honorable John Taylor, Under Secretary for International Affairs, Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC;

The Honorable Andrew S. Natsios, Administrator, Agency for International Development, Washington, DC.

Panel 2: Dr. Steven Radelet, Senior Fellow, Center for Global Development, Washington, DC;

Ms. Mary E. McClymont, President and CEO, Interaction, Washington, DC; Ms. Susan Berresford, President, Ford Foundation, Washington, DC.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. Allen. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a hearing on "The War Against Terrorism: Working Together to Protect America" on Tuesday, March 4, 2003, at 9:30 a.m. in Dirksen Room 106.

#### Tentative Witness List

The Honorable John D. Ashcroft, Attorney General of the United States, Department of Justice, Washington, DC;

The Honorable Thomas J. Ridge, Secretary, Office of Homeland Security, Washington, DC;

The Honorable Robert S. Mueller, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Com-

mittee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 4, 2003, for a hearing to consider the nomination of: Mr. Bruce E. Kasold to be a Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans' Claims; and Brigadier General John W. Nicholson, USA (ret.), to be Under Secretary Memorial Affairs, Department of Veterans Affairs.

The hearing will take place in room 418 of the Russell Senate Office Building at 2:30 p.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 4, 2003 at 2:30 p.m. to hold a closed hearing.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATIONAL PARKS, HISTORIC PRESERVATION, AND RECREATION

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation and Recreation, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on Tuesday, March 4 at 2:30 p.m. to receive testimony on S. 164, a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of sites associated with the life of César Estrada Chávez and the Farm Labor Movement; S. 328 a bill to designate Catoctin Mountain Park in the State of Maryland as the "Catoctin Mountain National Recreation Area," and for other purposes; S. 347 a bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a joint special resources study to evaluate the suitability and feasibility of establishing the Rim of the Valley Corridor as a unit of the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area, and for other purposes; S. 425 a bill to revise the boundary of the wind Cave National Park in the State of South Dakota.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### THE CALENDAR

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed en bloc to the immediate consideration of the following bills: Calendar No. 12, S. 111; Calendar No. 13, S. 117; Calendar No. 14, S. 144; Calendar No. 15, S. 210; Calendar No. 16, S. 214; Calendar No. 17, S. 233; and Calendar No. 18, S. 254.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. FRIST. I further ask unanimous consent that where applicable the committee amendment be agreed to, the bills as amended be amended, the bills be read a third time and passed, the motions to reconsider be laid on the table, any statements relating to the